We waited four years for the moment when we could finally live in peace. Will 2026 be a year of peace for us? Well, the thing is, if we analyze Ukraine's star charts — we've talked about this many times — according to the star charts, this issue is supposed to be resolved in January. We've mentioned it several times. And what's the key point there? First of all, when Ukraine declared independence, we began operating under the influence of all three earth signs. That is, Ukraine has always been a Capricorn-type country, but independence was proclaimed in the sign of Virgo. The ascendant of the event is Capricorn. Yes. The ascendant of the event is Capricorn. And therefore, the entire earth trine began to influence things in such a way that Ukraine receives support from all three earthly zodiac signs. This gives tremendous stability. It means the system has already become stable. And it is precisely in the sign of Capricorn — where the ascendant of the event is, meaning January — that it should finally stabilize.

Well, we have two problems: the external enemy and internal corruption. If we take the Badzi system — I calculated it back in the 90s using this astrological system — there is a demon of destruction. The demon of destruction is exactly this: external enemy plus internal corruption. And this demon of destruction is supposed to operate until January 2026. Yes, until January 2026. After that, the problem should begin to resolve itself.

We also have a heavenly healer in the horoscope. That means this system cannot be destroyed. Strikes can be inflicted upon it, but they will not lead to the collapse of the system. And that's exactly what the star charts have been saying all these years. I thought it would happen earlier, but you see, cosmic cycles still operate according to their own laws. In January 2026, these issues should be resolved — that is, stopping external aggression and eliminating the internal enemy, meaning corrupt schemes.

As we see, the closer we get to January 2026, the closer these problems come to being resolved. Negotiations are taking place involving not only officials from the United States but almost all European countries. And this system is even supported by non-European countries in various parts of the world. So we see that the situation is approaching resolution. Of course, this does not mean that all problems will disappear in one day. Like any problems, they disappear gradually. But something real in their disappearance — something we will see and can feel ourselves — will happen precisely in January 2026. And the fact that the beginning of problem resolution is approaching can already be felt. It can be felt. But of course it won't be instantaneous; as they say, the process will start.

Hello from New York! Very interesting — how do people in New York currently see Ukraine's future? What do Americans and the Ukrainian diaspora say? Please write in the comments.

Yes, Mr. Ihor. So we see that in January — indeed in January — we will really see movement in all this, as they say, from a dead point, because for four years it has been a dead point. There were negotiations, talks, negotiations, talks, but there were no serious concrete actions from any country in the world. And now, finally, something should start being resolved on a practical level — not just talks, but something concrete. That's exactly what I expect from January.

How will the coming year be overall in terms of cosmic events? Do you personally feel that this is a year of Shakti, a year of change? What will it begin with? What great event, what miracle starts this year?

First of all, if we take our ancient Slavic Vedic beliefs — we know that our ancestors, the ancient Slavs who lived on the territory of Ukraine, had a Vedic worldview, the same as in other Vedic cultures. Even the names of the gods were the same. For example, the god Surya, the Sun god in Asian Vedic traditions. And our Sun god also bore the name Surya. There are many such coincidences. That is, it was a single Vedic system. And according to this Vedic system, the New Year arrives on the longest night, when the old sun dissolves in the space of the world ocean and higher forces create a new sun. The longest night was, by the way, the most ancient New Year. And today the 7534th year has already begun according to the ancient Slavic calendar, which is also called Kolodar. Such a beautiful word. Everyone writes to me in the comments: "What a beautiful word — Kolodar." "Kolo" means time. In Sanskrit it is "kala," and in ancient Slavic it is "kolo." Yes. That is a gift from higher forces to us.

By the way, there were 12 great Slavic tribes on the territory of Ukraine, and each had its own totem. When they began to strongly interact with each other, they developed these 12 totems according to the years. Just like in Asia, in the lunar Asian calendar there are 12 animal totems of the year — the ancient Slavs also had 12 totems for the solar year. And now the Year of the Dog has begun. What is a dog? It is fast movement. A dog is always running. It means fast movement. Yes. So all events, starting already from the longest night, are accelerating, as we see. Look how many important international meetings took place in the last week alone. Sometimes there weren't that many meetings in years as there have been now that the dog is acting. Yes. And this is not bad for us. This totem is good. It is according to the solar year, the Slavic totem. But for us it will mean acceleration of all events. That is, I said that all ideas will move into the practical plane, including the organization of the peace process. We even see some corruption scandals surfacing. Corruption is indeed beginning to collapse, as it should. But what is more interesting is that this will happen when the Year of the Fire Horse begins according to the Asian lunar calendar. That will be on February 17. And that day there will be an eclipse.

The thing is, events will then be such that no one even expects them. But the influence of these events will mainly affect Asian countries. The Fire Horse is a very rare combination. The last time it occurred was in 1966. What do we see in 1966? The Cultural Revolution in China, when the Chinese destroyed almost their entire heritage from previous generations and states that existed on the territory of modern China. Then they realized they had done wrong, it was a mistake; they began to repent and restore things, but a huge amount of cultural values and many people were lost. That happened in China. In other countries, for example in Africa, the struggle for independence began. Countries in Africa and South America began demanding independence and achieved it, including through conflicts. That is, it was a struggle for independence, an armed struggle, but they achieved independence. Also in 1966 there were many natural disasters around the world — earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis in some parts of the world, very destructive ones. That was the last Year of the Fire Horse. This year it will be the same. The Fire Horse is uncontrollable. It does whatever it wants, gallops wherever it wants. It can jump into an abyss, then jump out again into a swamp, then run through the forest. No one can stop this Fire Horse, not even itself. Therefore, it is considered the most difficult year of the entire 60-year lunar calendar cycle.

According to the lunar calendar, the New Year is again calculated from the longest night — the second new moon after the winter solstice night, which falls on February 17. But it is also a very rare phenomenon when the lunar New Year coincides with an eclipse. We know that eclipses are destructive things. What is an eclipse? On Earth, energy comes from the Sun. The Moon also transmits energy and light to us. But it is not its own lunar light — the Moon reflects the rays of the Sun and the rays of stars entering the solar system, reflecting them at a different angle and thereby changing the frequency and color of the light. The Sun and Moon nourish everything living on Earth. You know, a lot depends on the Moon. For example, most children are born during a full moon — that's already a sociological study. During a full moon, poets write the most poems and artists paint — inspiration comes to them. That is a great surge during the full moon. The Sun's rays, when they reach our atmosphere, cause movement of static electricity in the atmosphere and also underground. Everything depends on the Sun and the Moon.

And here comes an eclipse. It means that at that moment the Sun and Moon do not give light to the Earth. It's like taking a stream in the forest and blocking it with stones. The stones start holding back the water, forming a small lake, and downstream from the stones the water completely disappears. The same thing happens during an eclipse. During an eclipse, you see, birds stop singing, animals hide in burrows, people feel strange. There are also fluctuations in voltage in all natural electrical processes — for example, the movement of static electricity underground and in the ionosphere. Everything freezes; there is no energy. Then, after the eclipse passes, energy flows again. It looks like the stones have been destroyed, and the accumulated water from the lake flows downstream, and water reappears — first a lot of water, even eroding the banks, and then everything calms down. The same happens with an eclipse. Therefore, an eclipse is considered a karmic moment when old systems and rhythms are destroyed and new ones begin to operate.

An eclipse is a catastrophic phenomenon. It is believed to break many processes in life, in nature, and in people's social relations very strongly.

And here this eclipse occurs on the lunar New Year according to the Asian calendar. This means that the whole year — the Fire Horse — will gallop so wildly that people will try to keep up, and with the eclipse overlaying the entire year, there will be a lot of such movements, and for some countries they will be catastrophic. Most people who study star charts — astrologers, esoteric experts — feel that there will be some upheavals in China and Asian countries, including Vietnam and others. We have seen that the Year of the Fire Horse and the eclipse have not even arrived yet — for example, Thailand and Cambodia have already been calmed down twice to stop the war between them. That is, there will be very large unexpected catastrophes in the entire Asian region. Of course, this will affect the geopolitics of the rest of the world. For Ukraine, this should not be bad. It's just that now all these catastrophic events are mainly happening in the European part — for example, our war. And now the focus will shift to Asia. We will see so many unexpected events — very, very many.

Then, on March 22, many people around the world now practice Zoroastrianism — several million people. It used to be a great religion that covered a huge part of our continent. Many people still study Zoroastrian astrology and various Parsi cults, because another name for Zoroastrianism is Parsi. There are many Parsis in India and, surprisingly, in Iran. The Iranian authorities do not touch them because they defend their faith and say that if necessary they will resist.

According to the Zoroastrian cycle, the countdown begins from the equinox on March 22. There will be a Fire Badger, which has the same characteristics as the Fire Horse. It will support things like family — when people create families or family members support each other — but at the same time it brings very strong changes, especially in the political sphere, since the main territory of this religion is the territory of modern Iran; Zoroastrianism was most practiced in Persia. We can say that Iran will again try to fight with its neighbors in the Middle East, and there may be another center of tension. So we are preparing for the fact that the coming year will be difficult, turbulent. There will be many events, but these events — I want to reassure everyone — should lead humanity to a normal system of functioning. So that people stop sleeping and start realizing something and, most importantly, doing something to improve the situation in the whole world. Because, to be honest, most countries are asleep right now — they don't understand anything and don't want to understand. And all these events are saying: "If you do nothing, the consequences will be catastrophic. If you don't want events to sweep you off the face of the Earth, you must wake up and build something." All nations must wake up and build something. And this process — the New Year 2026 — will force them to do it.

So in 2026, it will turn on those people who did not want to follow the revelation of their spirituality within themselves. There are such people in Ukraine too — not everyone is interested in meditation, God, divinity, the meaning of life; they don't look inside themselves. We are already being sent illnesses so that we look into our body, see what is happening inside it, what processes are taking place. We are sent certain trials, and now people who have not awakened will be maximally pushed out — correctly?

Yes. They will be stimulated to start doing something. The thing is, on the spiritual plane — you see, the spiritual plane comes first, and then it is reflected on the material plane. Many philosophers say that if an idea becomes accessible to a large number of people, that idea moves from the ideal world to the material one and begins to influence something. So a spiritual foundation is necessary. And, by the way, Ukraine has begun to ask these questions. Very many Ukrainians have already started thinking about this — how to survive, how to become stronger, how to make the future better, what to build, what to do. This has begun among us. It has begun. And it is visible.

You know that I research places of power in Ukraine. Places of power are places where there is a connection with the Absolute, with higher worlds, and most importantly, with different levels within ourselves. We have, for example, body, soul, spirit — atmic, atman; we have subconscious, superconscious, other parts of the psychosphere. They all function separately. But places of power are exactly those places where all this

begins to unite into one single structure. Therefore, we can see something inside ourselves. This will be insight, enlightenment, and so on. That's why I post a lot of material about how we explore places of power — articles in newspapers, comments for television, films, big films, small films.

The interest of Ukrainians in these studies of mine has grown enormously. People want to go to a place of power, want to ask how to meditate. If in 2021 our films were watched on YouTube from 20 to 60 thousand times a month, then just for the passing December our partners officially informed us that our short videos about places of power with my participation were watched 2 million times. From 60 thousand to 2 million — look how much Ukrainian interest in all these topics has grown. And it will continue to grow. We will realize our ancient spirituality, our cultural heritage, our spiritual power. We will begin to realize it and implement it in our lives. Then other nations will see this and start doing the same. That is, we are becoming the vector of movement for entire nations. This is exactly what is being born now. That is why we are waking up — because of this war we woke up first among, for example, European nations. And they are only now realizing that if they do not wake up, it will be bad for them. So they are beginning to wake up. But there must be an example. That example for the world right now is us.

There is a question. Wow, so interesting — our viewer from New York is telling how Ukrainians in America see the situation in Ukraine now. And so interesting: Witte, the prime minister under Nicholas I, was going to build the USA with Slavic peoples here because he knew about the cycles. Witte was a cousin of Helena Blavatsky. Blavatsky initiated Witte. I happened to be friends with Witte's family. Witte created the Western system in the empire — at that time the Far East was extremely successfully existing. Witte was from Kyiv and Odessa — our genius. That the greatness of the Aryans was revived on our lands — we know that for sure. And the Pentagon and CIA know it too. In particular, the first thing I heard about this was from a West Point graduate. [music] The Aryans created the entire civilization by spreading grain production, among other things.

A very interesting broadcast. In the USA, the military published a book by a Ukrainian physicist. By the way, very interesting. Ukrainians — we really are such a cradle of civilization. And now a lot is being said about technologies that Ukrainians have begun to invent. We are a nation of inventors. What cycles are being talked about now? And Blavatsky also played a very big role in the spiritual awakening of humanity and in the influence of the Ukrainian diaspora abroad.

Yes, Blavatsky was in the United States too. All correct. The thing is that now European scientists have published interesting scientific studies that they conducted for decades. They studied archaeological finds on the territory of various European countries. Canadian and American scientists also joined in. And they concluded that the culture that gave impetus to all other cultures was located on the territory of modern Ukraine. Almost simultaneously, as you know, we had the Trypillia culture, which mainly covered the western regions of Ukraine and also spread to the territories of modern Romania and Moldova. That was the right bank of the Dnipro in Ukraine, while on the left bank lived the same Aryans. Archaeologists have repeatedly proven this. The first to start talking about this was archaeologist Yuriy Shylov. He has many scientific works on this topic. That is, they were mainly on the left bank of the Dnipro. And these two cultures were the foundation for the emergence of all other cultures — like a field on which all flowers grew. If we consider any world culture as a flower, then these flowers grow on a field. And that field is our land. New spiritual movements and new religions were constantly born here. And I think this process will continue.

And so we will see that humanity will finally undergo a process of unification of religions. For example, take Cambodia as an example. There was shamanism, animism, belief in nature spirits. Then they adopted Hinduism. They became Hindus. But Hinduism did not deny communication with nature spirits. Then they also adopted Buddhism. At first all three religions existed in parallel, and then they began to merge into one thing that had never existed before. This is called a syncretic religion. For example, I go into a Buddhist temple in Cambodia, and there stands a Shiva lingam that you can pour water over — in a Buddhist temple. Or we will see Hindu deities in a Buddhist temple, and vice versa — in a Hindu temple we can see Buddha images. And at the same time there are small houses where nature spirits live. That is, you understand, they

are merging into one whole. And Cambodia is not the only example — such merging of different religions has begun in some parts of Mexico, in some parts of South America. That is, we see the merging of all existing spiritual systems into one great whole. And this is exactly what will happen in the new era. There will be no separate this religion, separate that religion. They will come to merge into something new and great. It will be an age of syncretic religions.

And this process has already begun among us. The religion of suffering, the religion of ancient Scythians — some are reviving it; Slavic Vedic religion and others. Many of these religions are now being studied and merged. The process has already started. It will go stronger.

And now many masters of technical ritualism are moving to vibrational ritualism. If earlier energy created matter, now matter creates energy. Many masters have begun — instead of cleaning by pouring wax, cleaning energetically — the laws of karma now act very quickly. If you created something bad, karma flies back instantly. What is this connected with, and why have some rituals stopped working? How will it be further in the esoteric, magical sphere?

Well, let's say rituals have not stopped working, but the energy has changed. We know that the past 13 winged years from 2011 to 2025 inclusive are a transition between two cosmic epochs. The old epoch ended in 2011, the new one is to begin next year. And that is why, when a new epoch comes, the laws of nature begin to change. Therefore, rituals need to be adapted to these changes.

I want to tell people what ritualism is in general, because not everyone understands what it is and why it is needed. The thing is that all forces are inside a person. If we take the Mahabharata, it is written that God resides in the heart plexus of a person and every living being — inside us. All divine forces that higher powers gave to humanity are inside. And I want to know these forces. But how can I know them? I cannot climb inside myself; I cannot understand anything. Therefore, I take these inner forces and project them onto the external world. And I get, for example, an ancient Slavic kapishche: circle, cross, square. These are cosmic symbols that symbolize the cosmos in all religions. Four points in space. They can be connected by an equal-armed cross, a square, or a circle. And that makes a kapishche. Then the four directions of the world: sunrise, sunset, entrance to the circle, exit from the circle. And then I take the forces inside myself and embody them in the kapishche, for example, or in the same Indian mandir. It is also an embodiment of what is in your soul. Then the ritual itself begins. You can take a bowl of water, move it from one place to another, consecrate it, sprinkle it, blessing nature, for example, or ring bells. And these forces — you move their symbols in the temple, in the kapishche — and inside you they also start moving. And you begin to understand how it all works. Once you understand how it works, you can do it mentally. It is not necessary to make all these ritual objects in the physical world. You can do it mentally, but to understand them you first need to materialize them. That is ritualism. It is really very interesting.

Many say that the spiritual world is separate, the material world is separate. No — Advaita Vedic philosophy says that the world is one. We simply move during the day into different areas of this world. The area where we sleep is one, where we meditate is another, where we do physical work is a third — but they are parts of one world. And they are so interconnected — it is the human mind that divides them into spiritual and material. In reality they are so connected that we need to understand it is a single whole system.

Then the same Feng Shui. It seems interesting too. In Feng Shui, a person has no success in studies — it's hard to understand some subjects at school. They take a flower, move it to another part of the room, and the person starts studying better. Everyone doesn't understand how this can be. But it can be because it is a single world. We can adjust the system by simply moving an ordinary flower from one corner to another. Or we can do a meditation, move nothing, and the energy in the area changes and farmers get a very good harvest. Next year we can simply do a meditation, touching nothing. That is, we are simply in different parts of this world. By activating one part, we automatically activate all parts.

That's the first thing. And second, don't forget the egregore. Let me remind you what an egregore is. For example, there is an empty lot on the street, and people gather and say: "It would be great to make a park here instead of this lot, plant trees so everyone can enjoy it and have a place to relax." They already form an idea in the mental world that a park should be made here. And this creates an egregore. This egregore begins to be filled with their energy, their desire to make this park. Then the egregore can sometimes take some natural energy sources available to it. And it starts coming to people living on that street in dreams as an idea: "Everyone wants to make a park — join in." And eventually the egregore finds the necessary number of people, and they make the park. And when they do, it becomes embodied in the park.

All holidays, for example, are egregors of different world religions. Millions of people over centuries or millennia believed that this was a sacred holiday, that it was powerful, and saturated this idea with energy. Plus cosmic forces added their energy to the egregore. So every holiday has an egregore, and there is also the egregore of the coming New Year. We now know that the real holidays of ancient religions are the longest night, for example, or when stars are in certain positions, or the conjunction of the Sun with the center of the galaxy. We know that now. But this secular New Year — when esoteric knowledge was absent, for example during the Soviet Union — everyone believed it was the same magical New Year, that higher forces would come, give gifts, do something good. And this egregore is saturated with energy. And what is it created for? To give people energy and support. But how does it see that you or I need some energy added? For it to give energy, there must be an egregore code.

And what is the egregore code? It is exactly this ritualism. For example, on the longest night they light 120 candles — that is the code of the solstice egregore. What is the code of this New Year? A Christmas tree, gifts, wishing each other happiness. By performing these actions, we receive energetic help from this egregore. It will be very interesting in two days.

By the way, our viewers wrote to me and asked what a Christmas tree actually is — why so many lights are installed on it, what its sacred meaning is. Okay, I'll tell you. First, if we take the Scandinavian tradition — northern Europe, northern America — it is a symbol of the axis of the world. There is an axis around which the universe rotates. By the way, astronomically, if we open a camera, leave the lens open at night, then look at the film, all stars make circles, and only one star stands still — Polaris. There is an axis. If we draw an axis from the Earth's surface to Polaris, the entire universe rotates around this axis. Therefore, this axis is necessarily present in all shamanic practices. And for us humans, this axis is the spine.

The spine is the connection of our consciousness, subconscious, and superconsciousness. All three parts of a person are connected to each other through the spine, through this axis. And this axis is symbolized by the Christmas tree. The heavenly world is at the top, so it is decorated with birds. The middle world is decorated with animals that live on the Earth's surface. And the lower world has various snakes, dragons, and other supernatural beings of the underworld.

Second, in our Slavic Ukrainian understanding, when autumn came and leaves fell from trees, many animals hid underground or died, nature seemed to die. It was believed that at that moment all spirits from our world go to Nav (the underworld) on the night of Nav. But some fertility spirits do not manage to pass through the gate to the other world. It was believed that they remain for the winter in evergreen trees — like fir trees, spruce. Yes. And what did our ancestors do? They came to the forest — not to cut anything down — but came to where these evergreen conifers grow and decorated them with gifts. These gifts were for the spirits — for the fertility spirits that were believed to live in these trees in winter. So that when they regain their power starting in spring, they would give people gifts in return — a harvest and various good events. That is why they decorated fir trees as a shelter for fertility spirits in winter. They supported these spirits.

That's what it is. So, Mr. Ihor — sorry for interrupting you — when we were told fairy tales where they carried a basket to the 12 months on New Year's night, or tales where girls brought milk, apples, pies and shared with Frost, or the tale of Morozko where they shared with bunnies and squirrels, giving nuts — it was simply a tradition of honoring winter forest spirits and winter nature spirits. Right?

Correct. That's how it was. But the story with the 12 months is separate, though also winter-related. By the way, on December 28 many world cultures honored fairies — the winter fairy separately and all elemental fairies together. And it was believed that one could meet the fire around which the 12 months sit with the king of time beside them. This most often relates to December 28. It is interaction with spirits of time.

And regarding the fir tree in the forest — it is the world axis, and around the world tree all worlds are located on this tree — all worlds in the great world structure. Therefore, one can see spirits of one dimension, spirits of another dimension, spirits of a third dimension that can take the form of those same squirrels and so on. Spirits of other worlds may not look like our world, so that human consciousness can interact with them and understand them — they were given a specific image, for example a squirrel, a butterfly, and so on.

Please tell us, Mr. Ihor, why our homes were always decorated with spiders (ritual straw spiders), why did we bring in the didukh, why were there special decorations in our region, and why was grain so highly valued during these holidays?

Grain, because it had to sprout in spring and give a new harvest. And harvest means everyone can eat, everyone will have food, everyone will survive hard times, the lineage will continue, and people in general will survive. Of course, grain absolutely had to be consecrated during these days, especially on the night of the winter solstice, because the old sun died and a new one was born. And on that night nature itself, the night itself, was like the great Mother Earth — fertile, dark. Grain had to grow from the darkness in spring. That is why it was consecrated starting from the solstice — all winter holidays consecrated grain, invested power in it, blessed it so that it would sprout. Because all ancient cultures — including Slavic Vedic, Aryan, and Trypillia — were all agricultural. Grain was the most important thing for them.

Yes. By the way, the hanging ritual spider symbolizes the lineage and the same world tree on which various worlds are hung — the tree symbolizing the entire world structure.

And by the way, when we were often in the Vinnytsia region — Busha, Yampil, Sloboda-Zalissivska, Oksanivka, Mohyliv-Podilskyi, and many other places along the Dnister River — it is there that the custom of setting up the world tree has been preserved throughout Vinnytsia. The world tree — they took a tree growing in the garden and decorated it with painted wooden eggs. Yes, we have such a tradition. I photographed many of these trees while traveling through Vinnytsia. I have many photos of these trees. It is also a variation of the same spider and the same world axis — the world tree on which worlds grow.

We know from Vedic texts — both ancient Slavic and Indian — that our universe is an egg. And it is not alone. There are so many such eggs in the world structure that even Vishnu cannot count them — or, as Buddhists say, even Buddha cannot count them. Each universe has the shape of an egg. And one can even travel meditatively between different worlds by looking at such a tree. You understand what spiritual power our ancestors had — they made themselves a model of the world structure in the form of a tree with painted eggs and could meditatively walk between different worlds. This shows that our people are indeed spiritually strong and have enormous potential.

Mr. Ihor, please tell us about the tradition of exchanging gifts on New Year — from the point of view of energy, mutual energy exchange. Does it affect us positively or negatively? How does this New Year exchange of greetings work?

Well, not only New Year — it improves karma. It improves karma. For example, you know the Vedic rite when we prepare food — rice or fruits — and offer it to a deity; the deity accepts it and thereby consecrates it. This rite is called prasad — consecrated food we offer. Or there is puja, when a divine service is held, various divine forces are invoked, mantras are read, and at the same time, for example, rice pilaf with fruits is prepared. The power of the service falls on this rice, and then everyone who participated eats it. This is a variant of puja, right?

That is, we give gifts to higher forces — what immediately happens? We feel stronger. We feel power within ourselves to do more than we usually do. Diseases leave us, relations with others improve. That is, positive things happen — we gave a gift to God, and God, according to the law of karma, gave us back His gift. Or we gave some goodness from the heart into the universe. This goodness made a circle and returned to us stronger. The same if I give gifts with good intentions to bring joy to a person — this impulse will circle the universe and return to me stronger. That is, karma improves. This is exactly improving karma. We improve each other's karma.

And the origins of this custom go back to puja.

Mr. Ihor, tell us about another wonderful tradition we have — there is even a solemn festive position: not "zirka" (star) but "zvizda." "Zvizda" is our word — "zirka" is already a transformation of the word. And there are zvizdari — people who carry the Christmas star. By the way, this year on December 24–25 the oldest zvizdar in Ukraine passed away. He lived in Lviv. Twenty years ago he began reviving the tradition of the Christmas star — these stars that are carried. And it is very interesting that in every region we have our own star that is carried from house to house. Where does this tradition come from?

Well, I'll tell you — if you look, all these stars have eight rays. It is the star of Alatyr. In the ancient Slavic Vedic religion, when Rod the All-High wanted to create the universe, he created Alatyr — a stone that looks like an eight-rayed star. He embodied Himself in this stone. And all worlds stand on this stone. All of them. Every universe, every galaxy, every star, every planet, every mountain, every temple, and every altar in a temple is an embodiment of this same Alatyr. And in a person it is the pineal gland in the center of the brain and blood. All this is an embodiment of Alatyr, that is, of Rod the All-High. It was considered a sacred object because it is Rod the All-High Himself. Ancient Slavs, even before adopting Christianity, wore exactly this star — the star of Rod Alatyr.

In Hinduism and Buddhism this same stone is called Chintamani. Both Hindus and Buddhists recognize it. And this Chintamani stone is also an embodiment of the All-High. If you look, the eight-rayed star of the All-High is symbolized in absolutely all religions of the world. Even among shamans the Great Spirit is symbolized by an eight-rayed star. And that is exactly what they carry. If you carry God, God blesses everyone wherever this star goes.

This custom existed — since we have lived on our land for thousands of years — no matter what religion came, this custom remained. Every religion explained it in its own way. Every religion wanted to claim this custom only for itself, but in reality it is a custom of all religions that existed on our land. It is the blessing of the All-High.

Of course, if you understand that it is the sacred stone Alatyr or Chintamani, it really begins to give energy to everyone present. And probably those people who carry these Alatyr stars have some inner spiritual mood from their ancestors so that the star starts working to radiate great energy. That is, perhaps they know some prayer or appeal to the gods or invoke Rod the All-High, and it starts shining. Really, but you need to know how to set it in motion. It is a very beautiful custom.

Great. What would you advise our viewers to do on this New Year's night? How should one manifest what one wants, and how should one start the New Year to make it more successful?

Well, let's do it: we bless everyone, give everyone gifts, express gratitude to the Universe, to the All-High, to our loved ones who support us. Constantly radiate something — through a gift, through an invitation to the table, through greetings. The more we give these greetings and wishes of goodness to our people, the more we give, the more we receive. And these forces will support us throughout the year.

Wish each other happiness and strength. I think we definitely need both happiness and strength.